

# First Prize for Designing Goes to Torrance Hi Grad



PRETTY AS HER PICTURE is El Camino college's Vonnie Griffin, who will enter Pacific Coast competition in San Francisco after winning first place in a student design contest open to Southern California students. A drum majorette for the college, the Torrance resident was elected Grid princess on the campus during the past week.

With San Francisco as her destination, Majorette Vonnie Griffin, El Camino college sophomore, envisions Paris as her goal—both immediate and eventual.

First prize winner of the National Wool Bureau's annual "Make-it-Yourself-in-Wool" contest, Miss Griffin will go to San Francisco as guest of the Women's Auxiliary of the bureau. With all expenses paid, Miss Griffin and three other Southern California district winners, will spend the week of November 27 in the Bay area.

The El Camino coed, a graduate of Torrance High School, was elected this week as a grid princess. Friday evening she was honored at the El Camino-Valley football game, and again Saturday night at the college's annual Grid dance. For her work in clothing design, she will also receive a short design course and the opportunity to compete in a regional design contest in San Francisco. Students from all sections of the Pacific Coast area will compete.

**Chance For Paris Trip**  
If she wins in regional competition, Miss Griffin will travel to Salt Lake City in December for the National contest and the chance of winning the first prize trip to Paris.

Competing with 50 entrants in her division of the Southern California contest Saturday (Oct. 23), Miss Griffin was the only student to display three garments. Her winner was a pale pink wool flannel short formal dress which she describes as "Princess style with a full skirt and 70 buttons and loops down the front."

The dress, a suit, and coat were judged on the basis of workmanship, fit and presentation. Contestants modeled their own creations for judges who represented colleges and universities throughout the state. The contest was conducted at Montebello high school.

**Versatile Creation**  
With her winning dress, the grid princess wore rhinestone earrings, a rhinestone necklace, pink gloves, and pink shoes. "By changing the accessories, I can convert it to a sport dress," she said of her creation, started and completed since the beginning of the current semester.

**Plans Career in Design**  
Hoping to become a professional designer, Miss Griffin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Griffin, 234 Paseo de las Delicias, Hollywood Riviera. In addition to her activities as a college majorette, she serves as pledge mistress of Chi Theta Chi sorority. At Torrance high she was a member of the Scholarship society, the majorette staff, and won an award for sewing.

# Juniors Hear Talk By Foreign Student

The regular business meeting of Torrance Junior Woman's Club held last night in the clubhouse, was highlighted by a talk given by a foreign exchange student from Germany, Inga Stemmman, who is attending Pepperdine College in Los Angeles.

Mrs. Harry Lewis, international relations chairman, made arrangements for the young speaker to appear.

The meeting last evening concluded two ways and means projects... the coffee klatsches that began September 8, and the "Waist Watchers of the YWCA," the latter project also known as the "Penny an Inch," proceeds of which were slated for the local YW.

The recent Community Chest drive in which members participated, was reported on by Mrs. Robert G. Leech, philanthropy director, while Mrs. Don Moore gave a report on comic books.

The annual Children's Christmas Party is to be held at the club house December 8, announced Mrs. Robert L. Kerber, and Mrs. James K. Lees presented plans for arrangements on the Christmas Tea to be held Sunday, December 5, when former members of the Torrance Juniors will be feted.

It was also announced that Torrance Juniors will fill boxes with homemade fudge and cookies for overseas GI's, as their participation in the Los Angeles District Chairmanship "Operation GI."

Members were served refreshments under the supervision of Mrs. B. F. Townsend, hostess for the evening.

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# Norteen Paper Drive

The Norteen Club of North Torrance recently held a highly successful paper drive, club sources reported. Many new projects are on the agenda, and any boy or girl between the ages of 13 and 15 is eligible to join the group to take part in their activities.

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# Girl Scouts Hike To Pottery Shop

Fourteen intermediate Girl Scouts of Troop 1161, sponsored by the Waleria Business Men's Association, completed their tenderfoot training recently as they blazed a trail from the Waleria School to Mel's Pottery shop in Waleria Village.

At Mel's the girls were given a demonstration of the fine art of pottery making and heard the history of the trade explained.

Yesterday, November 10, the troop held their investiture at the Waleria School, during which 14 girls were to be invested.

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# Mothers' Club

The Mothers Club of Junipero Serra High School is having a pot luck dinner, Sunday evening, November 14, from 5 to 8 p.m. Mrs. Harold Anderson, ways and means chairman and her committee anticipate a large attendance for this first social event of the school year.

# Keynote of Simplicity

The evening ceremony on October 28, was simple but impressive as the lighted tapers of two candleabrae flanking the altar shimmered on the bride's royal blue silk gown. Elbow-length sleeves and princess neckline were pinpointed by the long-torso fitted dress made more bouffant by a two-tier petticoat. Her tiny chapeau was covered with pale opalescent trim, and she carried a bouquet of white carnations and gardenias.

The bride's only attendant was her sister, Mrs. Kenneth E. Swenson of Sherman Oaks, who wore a ice-blue brocaded satin dress with elbow-length sleeves, the full short skirt billowing below the fitted bodice. Sky-blue velvet hat and gloves were a blending complement to the dress, as were the matching shoes and bouquet of contrasting pale pink carnations.

# Brother Attends Groom

Peder Simengaard was his brother's only attendant, having come from Hillsboro, North Dakota, for the occasion. The parents of the groom were unable to come from their home in Hillsboro.

Parents of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. James Myers of 1033 1/2 North Mariposa, Los Angeles, were present at the wedding, Mrs. Myers choosing a navy dressmaker suit for the occasion.

A reception was held at the church following the ceremony.

Amanda Carolyn Wray has been hired as a substitute teacher by the Board of Education for the Torrance Unified School District.

# NEWLYWED OLAF SIMENGAARDS NOW RESIDING IN TORRANCE

At home in their new Torrance residence at 22018 South Harvard boulevard, are newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Simengaard. The bride, formerly Jennie Myers Lewis of Akron, Iowa, and the groom, formerly of Hawthorne, were married recently during a double ring ceremony performed by Rev. John K. Mount at Hollywood Presbyterian Church.

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# BROWNIES HOST DADS AT HALLOWEEN FETE

The fathers of Brownie Troop 1588 joined their girls in costume to celebrate Halloween Saturday, October 30, at the patio of the C. B. Rowland's at 5601 Rockview drive.

The gala evening began at 7:00 p.m. with a chile dinner prepared by the scouts and Rowland, a former chef who made the chili sauce.

Youthful days were relived for the dads as they were blindfolded and led through the "chamber of horrors." In turn, each dad attempted to choose his Brownie as the youngsters appeared in masks they had made.

Brownie Troop 1588 is sponsored by Seaside Elementary P-T-A, and the leaders are Mesdames Robert Lusian and Arthur Haley.

The guests were Bill Abernathy, Tom Bardeen, R. G. Parke, B. Reiner, R. D. Clemens, R. B. Evans, Wm. Fitzgerald, Arthur Haley, Lusian, Gordon Partridge, Rowland, Gunther, and George Steele.

# Holy Name Men Hold Card Party

The men of the Holy Name (255th street and Eshelman ave. Society of St. Margaret Mary's nue. The usual games, prizes, Parish in Lomita are holding a card party tonight, November 10, and refreshments will be served at 8 p.m. in the school at come.

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# Perry P-TA Sets Record Membership

Perry P-TA membership chairman, Mrs. A. F. Kupka, reports the largest P-TA membership in the school's history. Membership action has been especially stressed toward the fathers, the executive board having five male members, and the men showing a fine attendance and participation record in P-TA meetings and projects.

Receiving a cash prize of \$10 each for their rooms bringing in the most memberships were Mrs. Eva Thomas, second grade teacher, and Mrs. Erma Bennett, fifth grade teacher. The total membership to date is 588, Mrs. Kupka announced.

# 'Ladylike' Trend Hits New Shoe Styles

In keeping with the elegant mood set by the rich fabrics and colors being shown this season, shoes have assumed a new fragility... a ladylike grace that has not appeared to such a degree for many years.

Like the fabrics with which they are to be worn, shoes are being shown in all colors this season. For daytime wear however, the luster leathers in gunmetal, aniline browns, and a wide range of blues seem to be top favorites for colors outside the very conservative black, navy, and brown. Mossy and fern greens are also enjoying a new popularity.

**Luster Calfskins Lead**  
Suede, always in good taste, still enjoys its ever-popular place, but the luster calfskins are attaining new heights in fashion. Alligator, long the "must-have-a-pair" in every woman's shoe wardrobe, is being given some stiff competition by lizard. The reptile shoes are now often being shown with calfskin touches for heightened interest.

**Delicate Line Stressed**  
The mid-height but slim heel is the daytime favorite. The towering heels are shown to a greater degree for after-five footwear. However, the whole shoe style picture is marked by a fluidity of line, and a flattering open look that is stressed in the crossed-strap and T-strap sandals, the new "gravity" shoes that seemingly stay on the foot by sheer magic (but stay on they do), the ever-popular sling styles and halter types.

**How To Choose Footwear**  
When shopping for shoes we should, of course, consider primarily comfort. Secondly we should base our choice on budget... if the purse is limited choose a style and color that can be worn with many changes. Another point that is often overlooked as we give a critical glance in a "foot-size" mirror, is whether or not the shoe is becomingly styled for our particular type.

If you are blessed with a model's figure and stature you can wear as many shoe styles as you can silhouettes. Most tall girls shy away from the skyscraper heel, but why is it so many of us who are short make the mistake of buying ankle straps, wide bandeaus, and other trimmings that tend to shorten our appearance still more.

If you are short, or inclined to be stout, look for the long look in a shoe. Of course you may wear straps, but keep them narrow and in the direction your foot points. Pumps are the safest buy and the most popular footwear... ask any shoe salesman.

Richard H. Madden has been hired to teach conversational Spanish in the Torrance Adult Evening School. His appointment was ratified by the Torrance Board of Education.

The Betsy Ross Club will meet on Tuesday, November 16, at the home of Dorothy Schuckman, 1953 Reynosa drive. Luncheon will be served by the hostess.

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